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Contract

T2215 Framework Agreement for the Provision of Technical Assistance

Belfast City Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Belfast City Council

9 - 21 Adelaide Street

Belfast

BT2 8DJ

Email

crothersr@belfastcity.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKN06 - Belfast

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.belfastcity.gov.uk

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

T2215 Framework Agreement for the Provision of Technical Assistance

Reference number

T2215

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Belfast City Council has set up a Framework Agreement for the Provision of Technical Assistance.

The Framework Agreement will be used by the Council to ensure that that Councils

Economic Development Unit (EDU) services are intelligence-led, quality assured, responsive to changing market dynamics, and aligned to deliver the maximum impact for the city and its economic growth agenda. It will support Council with professional and technical assistance

that meet need as and when required thus ensuring flexible, responsive services across a range of areas.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £3,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Intelligence, Analysis & Business Planning

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN06 - Belfast

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 1 includes two sub lots:

Sub lot 1a: Research, Analysis, Evaluation & Scoping

Sub lot 1b: Business Cases, Economic Appraisals and Feasibility Studie

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality Criteria / Weighting: 70

Quality criterion - Name: cost / Weighting: 30

Price - Weighting: 30

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

See Schedule 1 - Specification for details of Optional Services

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Engagement and Facilitation

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79000000 - Business services: law, marketing, consulting, recruitment, printing and security

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN06 - Belfast

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 2 includes two sub lots:

Sub lot 2a: Engagement

Sub lot 2b: Facilitation

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality Criteria / Weighting: 70

Quality criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 30

Price - Weighting: 30

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

See Schedule 1 - Specification for details on Optional Services.

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Quality Assurance

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79000000 - Business services: law, marketing, consulting, recruitment, printing and security

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN06 - Belfast

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 3 includes two sub lots:

Sub lot 3a: Development of a Quality Assurance Framework and providing advice, training, and support on quality standards.

Sub lot 3b: Implementation of Quality Assurance Framework including undertaking assessments, QA monitoring and supports

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality Criteria / Weighting: 70

Quality criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 30

Price - Weighting: 30

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

See Schedule 1 - Specification for details of Optional Services.

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Event Management

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79952000 - Event services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN06 - Belfast

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 4 includes event management related services

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality Criteria / Weighting: 70

Quality criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 30

Price - Weighting: 30

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

See Schedule 1 - Specification for details on Optional Services

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Monitoring and Reporting

Lot No

5

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN06 - Belfast

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Lot 5 includes a variety of services:

- Monitoring
- Reporting
- Intelligence Gathering

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality Criteria / Weighting: 70

Quality criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 30

Price - Weighting: 30

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

See Schedule 1 - Specification for details on Optional Services

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2022/S 000-031166](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

T2215

Lot No

1a

Title

Research, Analysis, Evaluation and Scoping

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

6 March 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 18

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Janice Smith Consulting

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Sector 3 Solutions

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Cogent Management Consulting LLP

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Morrow Gilchrist

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

LOCUS Management

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Arup

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Grant Thornton (NI) Ltd

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

IPSOS MORI

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Hatch Associates Limited

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

CHL Consulting Company Ltd

Dublin

Country

Ireland

NUTS code

- IE061 - Dublin

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Metro Dynamics

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

KPMG

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

PriceWaterHouseCoopers

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £800,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

T2215

Lot No

1b

Title

Business Cases, Economic Appraisals and Feasibility Studies

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

6 March 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 15

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

McGarry Consulting

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Sector 3 Solutions

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Cogent Management Consulting LLP

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Hatch Associates Limited

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Arup

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

IPSOS MORI

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Morrow Gilchrist

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Grant Thornton (NI) Ltd

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Metro Dynamics

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

CHL Consulting Company Ltd

Dublin

Country

Ireland

NUTS code

- IE061 - Dublin

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

PriceWaterHouseCoopers

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £800,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

T2215

Lot No

2a

Title

Engagement

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

6 March 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 8

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Janice Smith Consulting

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

MayWe

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Sector 3 Solutions

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

LOCUS Management

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Metro Dynamics

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

IPSOS MORI

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £100,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

T2215

Lot No

2b

Title

Facilitation

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

6 March 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 6

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Janice Smith Consulting

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

MayWe

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

IPSOS MORI

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Metro Dynamics

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £100,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

T2215

Lot No

3a

Title

Development of a Quality Assurance Framework

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

6 March 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Institute of Employability Professionals

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £150,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

T2215

Lot No

3b

Title

Implementation of a Quality Assurance Framework

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

6 March 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Institute of Employability Professionals

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £150,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

T2215

Lot No

4

Title

Event Management

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

6 March 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Morrow Communications

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

MayWe

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Podiem

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £500,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

T2215

Lot No

5

Title

Monitoring and Reporting

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

6 March 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Varsity Ventures

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Policy Platforms

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN06 - Belfast

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £400,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Royal Courts of Justice

Chichester Street

Belfast

BT1 3JY

Country

United Kingdom